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## Fulbright Pokes Fun At Goldwater 'Policy'

Chairman Fulbright of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee took the Senate floor today to poke a little fun at some of Senator Goldwater's recent comments on communism and other world topics.

Observing that Senator Goldwater has criticized any policy of co-existence with Russia, he wondered if Senator Goldwater was backing a policy of "co-annihilation."

Referring to a speech by Senator Goldwater, Senator Fulbright observed:

"So lucid is his discourse that he makes us wonder what all the fuss has been over nuclear weapons and international tensions and unemployment and all other stubborn problems that perplex the American people."

### Expresses Regret

"In the Senator's penetrating analysis, all these problems can be made to evaporate if we will only declare a 'bold' and 'courageous' policy abroad and return to 'fundamentals' at home."

Senator Fulbright expressed regret that Senator Goldwater did not spell out his bold action or the fundamentals he would return to.

The Arkansas Democrat said Senator Goldwater had generously decided that Democrats are not Communists. He thanked the Arizonan and reciprocated with a belief that "the Senator from Arizona is not a Communist either, despite the similarity of some of his views to those of the rulers of Communist China."

Senator Fulbright said he was sure it was "purely coincidental" that "the Senator from Arizona is opposed to co-existence; so are the Chinese Communists. The Senator is opposed to the nuclear test ban treaty; so are the Chinese

Communists. The Senator thinks it is cowardly to try to avoid nuclear war; so do the Chinese Communists."

### "Stop Existing"

Senator Fulbright said that if Senator Goldwater is against coexistence, it would follow that he wants one side or the other, presumably the Communist side, "to stop existing at once."

"The problem, of course—which the Senator has not seen fit to comment on—is precisely how the Communists can be persuaded or coerced to terminate their existence."

Senator Fulbright concluded by pointing out that both the United States and the Soviet Union possessed hydrogen bombs with which to destroy each other, and that neither has the means of preventing the other from doing so.

"Under these circumstances the only alternative to co-existence is mutual destruction," said Senator Fulbright. "This, perhaps, is the key to the foreign policy favored by the Senator from Arizona—a 'bold, courageous and determined' policy of co-annihilation."